



California State Fire Marshal **CODE INTERPRETATION**

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Topic	Area of Rescue Assistance		
Code Section(s)	§1114B.2.1, California Building Code (1998 ed)		
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Both Section 1114B of the 1998 California Building Code and ADAAG 4.1.3(g) agree that a “supervised automatic sprinkler system” overrides the requirement for Area of Rescue Assistance. Does the State Fire Marshal agree that any occupancy can dispense with rescue assistance by installing a supervised automatic sprinkler system?

Yes. Exception #1 of Section 1114B.2.1 states that areas of evacuation assistance are not required in buildings or facilities having a supervised automatic sprinkler system.